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Applicants' response filed on July 12, 2004 to the restriction requirement that was mailed on June 15, 2004 is non-responsive for the following reasons:

Although applicants' election without traverse of Species I in the response that was filed on July 12, 2004 is acknowledged, applicants' election of claims 1-2, 5-50 and 55-80 readable on Species I is inccorect because claims 22-25, for example, do not appear to read on Species I (it appears claims 22-25 read on Species IV, i.e., method for depositing silicon nitride flim).

Applicants are advised that to reply to the restriction requirement that was mailed on June 15, 2004 by including an identification of the species that is elected consonant with restriction requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. MPEP § 809.02(a)

Since the above-mentioned response appears to be a bona fide attempt to reply, applicants are given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

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